

### **Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 16, line 10 with the following paragraph:

To accomplish this, the process management system 108 consistently polls the one or more remote nodes 122 for updated information over the IConnectedMachine interface 110 (event 304). Upon receiving the request, the one or more remote nodes pass the information stored within their respective data structures to the primary node. This information is then stored into the data structure on the primary node, and sent to the requesting user/client node 124 (events ~~306-310~~ 306, 308 and 310). Because the scripts are able to formulate connections with other process management systems, data can be easily exchanged between a plurality of nodes within a distributed network. Each machine communicates with the next via the IConnectedMachine interface 110, and event notifications are fired to each machine using the DRemoteMTScriptEvents interface 120. Furthermore, the connections enable the plurality of nodes to submit commands and/or requests to invoke the action of the executable process, thus increasing the ability of the nodes to work together to perform complex tasks.